



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: **ITOH, Muneharu**

Group Art Unit: **1756**

Serial No.: **10/721,069**

Examiner: **NOTE, JANIS L.**

Filed: **November 26, 2003**

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**FOR: TONER AND IMAGE-FORMING METHOD THEREWITH**

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR §1.116**

**- EXPEDITED RESPONSE -  
GROUP ART UNIT 1756**

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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

March 3, 2006

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated **September 7, 2005**, extended to **March 7, 2006**, by a **three-month** Petition for Extension of Time, please amend the above-identified application as follows. A Notice of Appeal is concurrently filed herewith.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 7 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 9 of this paper.